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Runoff election held for PERS Board retiree representative

The Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) is holding a runoff election for one of two retiree representative positions on the PERS Board of Trustees.

The initial election was held in February with 23 candidates, none of whom received a majority vote. Candidates for the runoff are George Dale, former Mississippi commissioner of insurance, and Dr. Philip Pepper, former Mississippi state economist.

Ballots, biographical information, and candidate statements for the runoff election will be mailed March 6 to retirees and beneficiaries receiving a retirement allowance. Deadline for receipt of those ballots is 5 p.m. April 6, and the Board will approve the election results at its April 25 meeting.

The 10-member Board includes the State Treasurer, a gubernatorial appointee who is a member of PERS, two PERS retirees, two state employees, and one representative each of public schools and community/junior colleges, Institutions of Higher Learning, counties, and municipalities. With the exception of the State Treasurer and the gubernatorial appointee, board members are elected to staggered six-year terms.

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